Minutes – TEEM meeting 12 January 2021

Zoom meeting – 8:30 AM

Participants: EMD McCormick; J. Haas; Ch. LaForest; B. Bernstein; J. Noe; T. Reynolds; W. Brinker

Minutes of March 25, 2020 were approved as distributed.

Old Business

Shelter options were reviewed; it would be challenging during the pandemic to open, staff and keep people safe. There is PPE available if needed. Thankfully there has not been a need for a shelter.

New Business:

The Municipality Vulnerability and Hazard Mitigation Planning grant was discussed. J. Haas updated the group; several groups in the community will be asked for input; the process will probably take a year to complete. TEEM is on board; letters of support from all groups will be solicited for the application.

Information about the pandemic was exchanged; the message needs to be reinforced: wear masks, social distance, be safe. It affects all of us. Hopefully the vaccine will be more widely available soon. It was suggested that there is a call made when the information about how to make appointments for the vaccine is available; the call will direct residents how to sign up for the vaccine and where to go for assistance if needed.

The Police and Fire Departments will be asked to be proactive in assembling a contact list for vulnerable populations in the town who may need assistance in an emergency (such as winter storms and power outages). The Council on Aging will assist in gathering information.

Miscellaneous:

The TEEM will meet via Zoom on February 16 at 8:30am.

Meeting ended at 9:08AM.

Respectfully submitted, W. Brinker